Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Eliot Norton.

No. 611.

MAN WAS MADE TO MOURN.

By ROBERT BURNS.

Robert Burns often said to his brother Gibert that he could not well conceive a more mortifying picture of human life than a man value trying to get work. The following poem embodies the poet's feelings on that subject.

Other solections from this author, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch, have already been printed in this series.

Seemed weary, worn with care; His face was furrowed o'er with years, And hoary was his hair.

Or youthful pleasures rage? Or haply, prest with cares and woes, Too soon thou hast began,

To wander forth, with me to mourn The miseries of man.

"The sun that overhangs you moors, Outspreading far and wide. Where hundreds labor to support

A haughty lordling's pride; I've seen you weary Winter sun Twice forty times return,

And every time has added proofs That man was made to mourn

"O man! while in thy early years, How prodigal of time! Misspending all thy precious hours, Thy glorious youthful prime! Alternate follies take the sway;

Licentious passions burn; Which tenfold force gives nature's law That man was made to mourn.

With cares and sorrows worn; en Age and Want—oh! ill-matched pair!— Show man was made to mourn.

"Look not alone on youthful prime, Or manhood's active might; Man then is useful to his kind,

Supported is his right; But see him on the edge of life

"A few seem favorites of fate,

In Pleasure's lap carest;

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Yet, think not all the rich and great
Are likewise truly blest.
But, ch! what crowds in every land,
Are wretched and forlorn!
Thro' weary life this losson learn—
That man was made to mourn.

"Many and sharp the numerous ills
Inwoven with our frame!
More pointed still we make ourselves,
Regret, remorse and shame!
And man, whose heaven-erected face
The smiles of love adorn,

m's inhumanity to man Makes countless thousands mourn.

"See yonder poor, o'erlabored wight,
So abject, mean, asd vile,
Who begs a brother of the earth
To give him leave to toll;
And see his lordly fellow-worm
The poor petition spurn,
Unmindful, though a weeping wife
And helpless offspring mourn.

"If I'm designed you lordling's slave-By nature's law designed

His cruelty or scorn?
Or why has man the will and power
To make his fellow mourn?

"Yet, let not this too much, my son, Disturb thy youthful breast: This partial view of humankind Is surely not the last!
The poor oppressed, honest man

Had never, sure, been born, Had there not been some recompense To comfort those that mourn.

"O Death! the poor man's dearest friend —
The kindest and the best!
Welcome the hour my aged limbs
Are laid with thee at rest!
The great, the wealthy, fear thy blow,
From pomp and pleasure torn;
But, oh! a blest relief to those
That weary-laden mourn."

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Why was an independent wish B'er planted in my mind? If not, why am I subject to

"Young stranger, whither wanderest thou?"
Began the reverend sage;
"Dost thirst of wealth thy step constrain,

HEN chill November's surly blast
Made fields and forests bare,
One evening as I wandered forth
Along the banks of Ayr,
I spied a man whose aged step

ALL THE WORLD LOVES A LOVER

Marvellous Change Wrought By Advent of a Newly-Wedded Couple.

ALL LIFE'S ILLS FORGOTTEN

Ill-Tempered Passengers On a Delayed Train Grew Cheerful Again.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, D. C., September 23 .-The train was late at Barboursville, where I had been walting to catch it on my way back to Washington from the big Democratic barbecue up in the mountains of Greene, thirteen miles away. It was several minutes more behind time when we reached Orange, At Warrenton there was delay of ten or fifteen minutes, due to having to take up an extra car from the Warrenton branch line. Everybody was in bad humor. An anemic looking traveller, in tweeds and wearing Everybody was in bad humor. An anomic looking traveller, in tweeds and wearing a rakish tourist's cap and uncompromising side whiskers, had sworn three times in fifteen minutes to my certain knowledge. A fat drummer was explaining the defaults in the management of the railway, which caused such delay, and assuming to know all about the intricactes of railway service. Across the alse was a tired mother—why are mothers travelling proverbially tired? With this travelling proverbially tired? With this can were two children, one of them unable to utter an intelligible sound yet, unless the usual accompaniment of sobbing see comprehended by that term. bing se comprehended by that term. Everybody was in bad humor. I was not smiling myself, for I had not had time for food in fourteen hours. Even the usually equably tempered conductor was mad and he yanked on the bell rope every time like it was knotted around the property of the prope the neck of his worst enemy.

A SHOWER OF RICE.
"Nokesville," sang out the brakeman, and the train began to slow down for one of the stops which are so numerous on the Southern between Charlottesville and Washington. A minute before the train stopped it was evident that there was unusual excitement at the starton. Cow bells were ringing, a crowd was yelling, and, occasionally, a small can-non, or large firecrackers, were being dis-

the car, and several windows were raised to ascertain the cause of the noise and the nature of the demonstration. I had the temerity to raise my window. The instant the truin came to n standstill a second way and a course way and course ways are ways and course ways and stant the train came to a standstill a young men and young woman sprang aboard. He was dressed in some kind of conventional garb, such as well dressed men affect, but she was the sweetest, daintiest appearing little maiden I had seen in many a day, garbed in white, and wearing the quaint bonnet of the Dunkards, made of fine straw, and fitting closely over the ears like the night-caps of our grandmothers. On his face there was an unmistakable expression of anger, but on her's there was shame and fear. She was trembling, her cheeks were flushed, and her bosom was heaving. fear. She was trembling, her cheeks were flushed, and her bosom was heaving. She sank into a seat and tried to hide her face with her hands. He sat beside her, and as he did so, a shower of rice came hurling through the window and struck her in the face with slinging force. She bowed her head lower and fairly cowered in her place. He sprang up and brought the window down with a bang. A second later a handful of rice struck me full in the face, and I was so blinded for a moment that I could not see to get the window closed. By the time I got the window fast shut, the little bride was almost sobbing, and the sturdy young fellow whom she had just promised to honor and obey was trying somewhat awkwardly to comfort her. You see, he felt embarrassed by the presence of so many spectators. He had not been used to see that the second and the second seed to be seen to be se

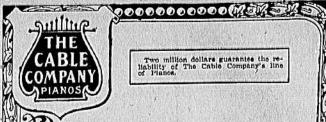
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had been fretting and sobbing a moment before were quiet now, interested by the ringing of the bells and the fireracker explosions, and their mother had time to watch the new arrivals and give them a smile that was so bright I envied the recipients.

And so it was with all of us. That tired, ill-humered crowd of men and women became positively genial, and during the rest of the run into Washington, it did not seem to occur to one of us to return to our former grambling mood. And when we got off the train in the Sixth Street Station, I actually saw that sour, anemic tourist give a helping hand to the young bridegroom, who was struggling with a big suit case, as he came down the step of the car.

And then the two young people went off together, and I lost them in the crowd. There was in the heart of every man and woman who saw them board the train, a sincere "God bless you both." But I still think the harmlessly meant demonstrations of the crowd who saw them start off on their honeymoon trip was cruel.

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FOOT-BALL ACTIVITY.

LEXINGTON, VA., Sept. 22.—Great activity is seen at Washington and Lee University and the Virginia Military Institute among the foot-ball men. Squads are out every day practicing, and from these will be selected the teams.

Washington and Lee has a new trainer, R. R. Brown, who a few years ago was a crack player on the team of Dartmouth College. Two years ago he served as coach at the Virginia Polytichnic Institute and last year coached the team of the University of North Carolina. Emmett Rankin is captain of the team, and coach at the virginia rosecond the team of the University of North Carolina. Emmett Rankin is captain of the team, and A. F. White manager.

The Virginia Military Institute boys are

ALL IN LANGE FLED.

The temper of the passengers underwent the most phenomenal change. The fat drummer straightway began to look and laugh, and then to swear at the rough treatment to which the couple had been subjected. An old maid took the Reenest sort of interest in the matter, and I saw distinctly a bright flush of pleasure come to her check, while, she observed the couple, unmindful, apparently, of the fact that the two were being mortified by the roughness of t

Claim of the Management That It Will Be the Finest Ever Held in Virginia.

THE CLASSES WELL FILLED

Many of the Best Stables to Be Represented-Special Features.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., September 23.—
Lynchburg is to have, during the first
week in October, the best Horse Show
ever held in the State of Virginia. This
seems a broad statement, for Virginia is seems a broad statement, for Virginia is essentially the home of the horse show, but the Lyenchburg management makes the claim confidently with the full assurance that its list of entries will support this claim. This does not necessarily mean now does the association claim that it has the largest number of entries ever listed by any Virginia association, though there are few which can boast of more entries, but it does mean that each and every one of the forty classes of the show has been filled and well filled by as high class a lot of Virginia horses as were ever shown

David Danlop, Julian Morris and others in the saddle classes; C. H. Hurcamp, U. D. Benner, Blair Johnson, C. W. Smith, W. S. Sowers, John S. Galnes, F. A. B. Portman, T. G. Horring, Mrs. Allen Potts, Julian Morris, S. Russell Smith, Portner Bros., C. R. Hoof, Jr., Arthur White, C. C. Anderson, R. G. Mitchell and withers, to supergus, to mention in the White, C. C. Anderson, R. G. Mitchell and others too numerous to mention in the hunter classes, it can readily be seen that there are few horse exhibitors of any prominence in the Old Dominion who will not be represented with entries at the Lynchburg Show.

Many Fine Strings.

There are a number of strings of unusually high class horses, but it is not likely that any one stable will carry of the lion's share of the honors, as is the case in those shows where northern harness horses are shown. The Lynchburg show will be anybody's show, and the judges will have a hard time to determine where to place the ribon. termine where to place the ribbon,

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The three exhibitions held in this city under the auspices of the association have groused a deel falcreat in this city, and section, in thirses that pertain to the horse, and the local classes of the show are well filled, and in addition many of the local exhibitors will show in the open classes.

Arrangements were perfected this week Arrangements were porfected this week by which the Roatske Machine Works' Band will furnish the music for the Horse Show, and will give a band concert each night from 7:20 to 8:30 P. M. in the association's brilliantly illuminated building in Rivermont. This band is recognized as one of the best-if not the best-musical organizations in the Riets and its cal organizations in the State, and its presence will contribute much to the leasure of those attending the Horse

Show.

The association is now negotiating with the owner of one of the best high jumping horses in the South to give an exhibition high jump on each of the four nights of the show, and in addition to this speciall, the Lynchburg Traction and Light Company has arranged for a grand display of fireworks near the association's building in Rivermont, on Wednesday and Friday nights during Horse show week. The display will take place half an hour before the show, and will be on a scale far beyond anything of the

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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All of the seventy-six boxes of the association have been disposed of, and already there is a strong demand for reserved seats. Numerous applications are being listed every day, with Mr. John M. Otey, the treasurer of the association, and the seats will be allotted when the tickets are placed on sale later.

Vith the intersinte Fair in full hiast during the daytime and the Horse Show at night, there is every indication that the first week in October will, indeed, be a gala week for Lynchburg, and the city will be visited by the largest crowd in its history.

 867—Michael III. (the Drunkard), Emperor of Rome, assassinated.
 1427—Lady Ravensworth devised to her children the following things: "I will yat my son, Robert (Bishop of London) have a sautor covered with reducible by deviser Marson, a nature. yat my son, Robert (Bishop of Lon-don) have a sautor covered with red velvet, My doghter, Margory, a primer covered in redo," etc.

September 24th.

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1757—Aaron Burr, president of New Jersey College, died.

1793—Foundation laid of the iron bridge over the River Wear at Sunderland, England. It was finished in 1796.

1803—Berbice, a Dutch colony in Guiana, celebrated for its fine coffee, surrendered to the British.

1804—A Dutch ship, on entering a Japanese port and rebelling at the customs regulations of the country, fired on the shore, but afterwards surrendered.

1829—The Thirteenth Amendment was millied by a two-thirds vote.

1831—Mount Auburn, a retired and ornamental place of sepulture, about four miles from the city of Boston, and containing about ifty acres, was publicly dedicated, the first of the kind in the United States.

1841—Mr. Brooke, an enterprising Eng-

in the United States.

1841—Mr. Brooke, an enterprising Englishman, became rajah, or governor, of Sarawak, the first footing obtained by the English on the Island of Bornoc, it is believed.

1854—The Russians closed the harbor of Sevastopel by sinking seven ships in the entrance.

1864—Gold was quoted at 199, a decline of 26 cents during a week of Union military successes.

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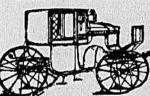
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1884 The members of a Mormon colony which had settled in Wilson county, Tenn., were ordered by regulators to leave the State.

1894—Rumors of an impending duel be-tween James Van Alen and "Dick" Peters stirréd Newport, R. I. 1904—Russo-Japanese war; four days' at-

tack on Port Arthur reported by Japanese, who arrived at Chefoo; bombardment the heaviest of the siego. General Orbit dismissed from army in disgrace for disobedience of orders at Liaoyang.

1904—President Roosevelt announced to the members of the Interparliamentary. Union that he would take the initia-tive in asking for peace conference.

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